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SUBJECT: US-USSR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGREEMENT:  
PROJECT V-2 PROTECTION OF NORTHERN ECOSYSTEMS

1. REQUEST AMEMBASSY PASS FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM DR.  
R. SKOOG, INTERIOR, TO DR. V. DENISOV, MINISTRY OF AGRI-  
CULTURE, WITH COPY TO DR. YU. KAZAKOV, HYDROMET.

2. "DEAR DR. DENISOV:  
DR. NEILAND AND DR. RAUSCH WILL LEAVE ALASKA ON 29 JULY 75  
AND ARRIVE IN Khabarovsk 1 AUGUST 75 VIA AEROFLOT, FLIGHT  
NO. 696. THIS IS OFFICIAL VISIT AS PLANNED UNDER ACTIVITY  
A-3 (PARASITES AND DISEASES OF NORTHERN SPECIES OF WILD  
PLANTS AND WILD ANIMALS) OF OUR PROTOCOL. I PRESUME DR.  
KONTRIMAVICHUS WILL MEET THEM AT THE AIRPORT AT Khabarovsk.  
I STILL NEED CLEARANCES FOR VISAS; WE SUBMITTED APPLICA-  
TIONS ON TUESDAY 15 JULY 75. PLEASE NOTIFY THE SOVIET  
EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON AS SOON AS YOU CAN. WE MUST SEND  
THESE VISAS TO ALASKA AND THEREFORE WE NEED THEM ISSUED  
NOT LATER THAN FRIDAY 25 JULY 75. I WOULD APPRECIATE  
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HYDROMET REQUESTING SOVIET CONSULATE IN WASHINGTON TO EXPE-

DITE VISA CLEARANCE.

3. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE THREE-MAN REINDEER DELEGATION HEADED BY DR. ZABRODIN WILL BE TRAVELING TO THE USA VIA MOSCOW. DR. KLEIN--USA COORDINATOR FOR ACTIVITY A-4 ECOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT OF DOMESTICATED AND WILD REINDEER--HAS PLANNED AN ITINERARY FOR THE PERIOD 17 AUGUST THROUGH 5 SEPTEMBER 1975, STARTING AND ENDING AT ANCHORAGE, ALASKA. I SUGGEST THEREFORE THAT THE SOVIET DELEGATION PLAN TO ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON, D.C., ON FRIDAY, 15 AUGUST 1975, AND DEPART FROM NEW YORK CITY ON SUNDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER 1975. I AND AN INTERPRETER WILL MEET DR. ZABRODIN'S GROUP IN WASHINGTON, AND THE INTERPRETER--RAISA PETROFF--WILL ACCOMPANY THE DELEGATION TO ALASKA AND BACK THROUGH NEW YORK CITY. DR. ZABRODIN'S GROUP SHOULD HAVE THEIR AIRLINE TICKETS COVER MOSCOW-WASHINGTON-ANCHORAGE-NEW YORK-MOSCOW. THEY SHOULD BE PREPARED TO PAY FOR ADDITIONAL TRANSPORTATION COSTS IN ALASKA AS MENTIONED IN MY LAST COMMUNICATION TO YOU. PLEASE ADVISE IF THIS SCHEDULE IS ACCEPTABLE TO YOU.

4. DR. WEST'S DELEGATION UNDER ACTIVITY A-3 (PRODUCTIVITY AND FUNCTIONAL INTERRELATIONS IN TAIGA AND TUNDRA ECOSYSTEMS FOR THE PURPOSE OF THEIR PROTECTION AND MANAGEMENT) OF OUR PROTOCOL IS PLANNING TO ARRIVE IN Khabarovsk ON 28 AUGUST 1975 AND DEPART FROM MOSCOW ON 13 SEPTEMBER 1975. PLEASE ASK DR. KONTRIMAVICHUS IF THIS SCHEDULE IS ACCEPTABLE.

5. WITH REGARD TO THE WORKGROUP MEETING SCHEDULED FOR 24 SEPTEMBER TO 3 OCTOBER 1975, WE POSSIBLY WOULD LIKE TO ADD AN OFFICIAL FROM THE STATE OF ALASKA TO THE USA DELEGATION. YOU INDICATED TO ME IN OUR TELEPHONE DISCUSSION THAT SUCH AN ADDITION WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO YOU. I WILL ADVISE YOU LATER OF ANY PROPOSED ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE DELEGATION NAMES I SUBMITTED TO YOU EARLIER. WITH BEST REGARDS,  
SKOOG. KISSINGER

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